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NOVEL MEMBER OF THE TGF- $\beta$  SUPERFAMILY  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

RE: INSERTION OF SEQUENCE LISTING INTO SPECIFICATION

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for  
applications containing Nucleotide Sequences (copy enclosed)  
dated October 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent  
application as follows.